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Prior Application: 08/765,901

Examiner: S. Hendrickson

Art Unit: 1754

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7/15/99REQUEST FORM FOR CONTINUING PROSECUTION
APPLICATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(d)

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Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

This is a request for filing a [X] continuation [] divisional application under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(d) (Continuing Prosecution Application) of prior Application No. 08/765,901, filed on January 7, 1997, for CONCENTRATED SUSPENSION PRECIPITATION SILICA, METHODS OF PREPARATION AND UTILISATION OF SAID SUSPENSION by the following named inventor(s):

- (a) Full Name Evelyne PRAT
- (b) Full Name Laurent FROUIN
- (c) Full Name _____

This application is being filed by less than all the inventors named in the prior application. In accordance with 37 C.F.R. 1.53(d)(4), the Commissioner is requested to delete the name(s) of the following person or persons who are not inventors of the invention being claimed in this application:

- (a) Full Name _____
- (b) Full Name _____
- (c) Full Name _____

The above-identified prior application is hereby expressly abandoned as of the filing date of this new application. Please use all the contents of the prior application file wrapper ~~including the drawings~~, as the basic papers for the new application. (Note: 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(b) ~~must~~ be used for applications where the prior application is not to be abandoned.)

It is understood that secrecy under 35 U.S.C. § 122 is hereby waived to the extent that if information or access is available to any one of the applications in the file wrapper of a 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(d) application, be it either this application or a prior application in the same file wrapper, the Patent and Trademark Office may provide similar information or access to all other applications in the same file wrapper.

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1. Enter the amendment previously filed on __ under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116, but unentered, in the prior application.
2. The election made previously in the prior application does not carry over to this application.
3. A preliminary amendment is enclosed.
4. _____ statement(s) claiming small entity status is/are enclosed was/were filed in prior Application No. __, filed on __.
5. The filing fee is calculated below on the basis of the claims existing in the prior application as amended at 1 and 3 above:

CLAIMS					
	NO. OF CLAIMS		EXTRA CLAIMS	RATE	FEE
Basic Application Fee					\$760.00
Total Claims	25	MINUS 20 =	5	x \$18.00 =	90.00
Independent Claims	3	MINUS 3 =	0	x \$78.00 =	0.00
If multiple dependent claims are presented, add \$260.00					0.00
Total Application Fee					850.00
If small entity status is claimed, subtract 50% of Total Application Fee					0.00
TOTAL APPLICATION FEE DUE					\$850.00

6. A check in the amount of \$ 850.00 is enclosed for the fee due.
7. Charge \$ _____ to Deposit Account No. 02-4800 for the fee due.
8. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any appropriate fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16, 1.17 and 1.21 that may be required by this paper, and to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 02-4800. This paper is submitted in triplicate.

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9. Priority of Application No. 9408430, filed on July 7, 1994, in France (country) is claimed under 35 U.S.C. § 119.

The certified copy of the priority application
[] is enclosed
 were provided to the Patent Office by the International Bureau
[] has not yet been filed.

10. Also enclosed a Petition for Extension of Time.

11. The power of attorney in the prior application is to all partners of Burns, Doane, Swecker & Mathis, L.L.P..

- The power appears in the original papers in the prior application.
- Since the power does not appear in the original papers, a copy of the power in the prior application is enclosed.
- Recognize as Associate Attorney or Agent Bonnie D. Weiss, Reg. No. 43,255.
- Address all future communications to: (May only be completed by applicant, or attorney or agent of record.)

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July 12, 1999
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